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Group Art Unit: 2185
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DATA AT INPUT/OUTPUT (I/O) INTERFACES
FOR A MULTIPROCESSOR SYSTEM

Commissioner of Patents
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THIRD REQUEST FOR STATUS

Please advise the status of the above-identified patent application which was filed on July 20, 2001. Applicant previously filed a Request for Status on February 2, 2004. Applicant received a communication dated March 3, 2004 indicating a communication on the merits would be received in 1 to 4 months. However, Applicant has not received any communication on the merits. Accordingly, Applicant is filing this Third Request for Status to respectfully inquire about the status of the present application, and in particular to request notice of when the first Office Action on the merits will be issued.

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REMARKS

Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.702(a)(1), it has been over fourteen months since the filing date of this Application and a Notification under either 35 U.S.C. §§ 132 or 151 has not been received. Thus, a period of adjustment of patent term due to examination delay is accruing in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.703(a)(1).

If there are any matters that can be cleared up through a telephone conversation, please contact the undersigned attorney for Applicant at telephone number 214.953.6507.

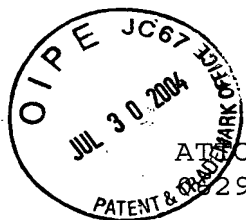
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